UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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LVER, : 15-cv-03462-ARR-ST Plaintiff, : JACQUELINE SILVER,

: U.S. Courthouse - versus -

: Brooklyn, New York

CITY OF NEW YORK NYPD BAYSIDE :

QUEENS PRECINCT, et al., : August 30, 2017

Defendant ----X

TRANSCRIPT OF CIVIL CAUSE FOR STATUS CONFERENCE BEFORE THE HONORABLE STEVEN TISCIONE UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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              THE CLERK: Civil Cause for Status Conference,
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   docket number 15-cv-3462, Silver v. City of New York NYPD
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   Bayside Queens Precinct, et al.
              Parties please state your appearances for the
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   record.
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              MS. SILVER: Jacqueline Silver, pro se
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   plaintiff.
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              THE COURT: Okay.
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              MS. FITZGIBBON: Assistant Corporation Counsel
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   Kaitlin Fitzgibbon.
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              THE COURT: And we have nonparties on the line,
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   as well. Can you just state your appearance for the
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   record? Just state your name for the record.
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              MS. WORTMAN: Susan Wortman.
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              THE COURT: Okay.
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              MR. WORTMAN: And I'm Victor Wortman.
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              THE COURT: Okay. Thank you.
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              THE CLERK: The Honorable Steven Tiscione
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   presiding.
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              THE COURT: All right. So I want to deal with
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   this motion that keeps coming back. Ms. Wortman, you had
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   already come into court the last time to deal with the
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   subpoena. Mr. Wortman, I had never heard from you. So
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   let me ask you, did you receive a subpoena in this case
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   from Ms. Silver asking for certain documents?
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              MR. WORTMAN:
                            I received lots of papers that I
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   have in front of me from her.
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              THE COURT: Okay.
              MR. WORTMAN: And I am trying to make heads and
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                      The police department is suing them,
   tails out of it.
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   not suing them. I jut -- I am all mixed up. And also,
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   the morning of the -- when everyone was there, the last
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    time you did this case --
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              THE COURT: Uh-hum.
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- I got a call from Jackie
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   Silver in the morning telling me not to go because she is
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   not going to go and if she does go -- I just wrote this
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    out here -- and if she does go to court, she is going to
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   say that I threatened her and needs to leave immediately,
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   unless you get extra security.
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              So I am very confused. I mean, if you need me
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   in court, I will be happy to come any day, any time.
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   just don't want it to be frivolous because this thing is
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   never going to end.
              And also, there's a -- I don't know -- your
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   Honor, I don't know if you're aware, there is a case
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   pending in criminal court.
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              MS. SILVER: I object.
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              MR. WORTMAN: They actually arrested her.
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              MS. SILVER: I object.
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              MR. WORTMAN: So I am waiting to figure out
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   what that's all about.
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              THE COURT: You'll get your opportunity to
   talk.
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              MR. WORTMAN: So it's very confusing but the
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   end result is, any time you tell me, your Honor, to be
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   there, I will be there earlier than I am supposed to.
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              THE COURT: Okay. The only issue for me at
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   this point is there's a -- before me is just the civil
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   case. I have a motion for contempt for failing to answer
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   a subpoena. My understanding is the subpoena asks for
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   certain documents that are in the possession of
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   apparently one of the Wortmans or --
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              MR. WORTMAN: Victor Wortman.
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              THE COURT: Victor. I don't know if you have
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   any of these documents.
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              MR. WORTMAN: I never saw any document.
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   never received any document. I don't know what she is
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    talking about and basically, that's -- that's the whole
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    thing I could tell you about papers.
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              THE COURT: Okay.
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              MR. WORTMAN: I mean, she's playing me.
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              THE COURT: Okay.
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              MS. WORTMAN: Your Honor, can I interrupt for
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   one second?
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              THE COURT: Sure.
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              MS. WORTMAN: I have a letter stating that I --
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   that I fulfilled this being in contempt of court.
   there a reason that I am part of this phone call?
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   could even read you a paragraph of it where it says it
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   was sent to me from Ms. Fitzgibbon, the day that I was in
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   court.
              THE COURT: Uh-hum.
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              MS. WORTMAN: You said that -- do you want me
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   to read it to you?
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              THE COURT: No, the reason you're in court is
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   because there was a subsequent motion that was filed and
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   I just want to put this issue to bed.
                                           So --
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              MS. WORTMAN: What was the subsequent issue?
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   That's what I don't understand because I was never
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   notified of anything subsequent.
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              THE COURT: It all comes back to the same
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            So I just -- let me just ask this straight out.
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   Ms. Silver, what is it exactly that you're looking for
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   and why do you think Mr. or Mrs. Wortman have the
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    documents that you're looking for.
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              MS. SILVER: Okay. Back in 2016, I had full
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   conversation with Mr. Wortman. I have it on a recorded
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   phone -- on an MP3 player.
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              THE COURT: Talk into the mic, so that you --
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6 Proceedings 1 MS. SILVER: Okay. Back in 2016, I had a phone 2 call -- a lengthy phone call conversation with Mr. 3 Wortman in which he specifically told me he has documents in his possession. He event went to -- as far as to say 4 5 that I was evaluated by psychiatrist and it's common 6 knowledge about this. And he's very adamant. I can 7 produce the tape. 8 I actually in a contempt motion, because he never answered the subpoena, and I have it in my contempt 9 10 motion to Judge Ross back in March of 2017. And I also 11 have a verbatim, you know, when you go through the tape where it is. 12 13 THE COURT: Uh-hum. 14 MS. SILVER: And he says he has no use for 15 them. He said that he got them. They were found in his 16 doorstep and Mr. Wortman and Mrs. Wortman are married. 17 So if they are found on the doorstep, I have to subpoena 18 Susan Wortman, too. And that's what started it all. 19 MR. WORTMAN: How about calling the temple? 20 MS. SILVER: And what happened was, he 21 specifically -- could I read it to you what he said 22 verbatim, your Honor? 23 THE COURT: What are these documents? 24 MS. SILVER: Okay. They're documents 25 supposedly that have information, maybe a police report,

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   and maybe information, according to him, that's relevant
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   to my case. So I have known him since 1998.
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              Back in 2012, when I got involved with him
   because he lied to me about his marriage, he told me he
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   will help me because he couldn't understand why my sister
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   put me in the hospital, and he basically told me --
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              MR. WORTMAN: By who? Your sister?
              MS. SILVER: My sister, Victor.
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              MR. WORTMAN: I don't even know that you have a
10
   sister.
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              MS. SILVER: Okay. Okay. So anyway, so --
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              MR. WORTMAN: It's all in your mind.
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              MS. SILVER: -- he was very adamant -- he was
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   very adamant about the documents and he said he has no
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   use for them. We were supposed to meet at a pizza place
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   in New Hyde Park and I told him -- and then one thing led
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    to another, his wife was supposed to be there too. He
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   said he has very specifically 61 pages --
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              MS. WORTMAN: I was supposed to be at a pizza
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   store?
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              MS. SILVER: -- 61 pages of documents including
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   my health records --
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              MS. WORTMAN: (Indiscernible).
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              MS. SILVER: -- psychiatric evaluations, police
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   reports that probably could lead to the names of the cops
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   who was in front of my house that morning of May 27,
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   2012. I have known him for a very long time.
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              And that's --
              MR. WORTMAN: Why were the cops there?
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              MS. SILVER: -- to me, your Honor, that's not
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   really relevant. The fact is that they were served,
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   personally served on December 26th of 2017 -- 2016, I
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   apologize, by Mr. Gottlieb, personally served each, a
   motion -- no, to produce the documents -- a subpoena to
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   produce the documents.
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              So what happened was Susan Wortman said --
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   excuse my language, she goes, "What is this shit?" And
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    she threw the papers in his face.
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              MS. WORTMAN: I threw them on the floor, Ms.
   Silver.
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              MS. SILVER: She evaded service. She lied --
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              MS. WORTMAN: I have never thrown --
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              MS. SILVER: -- and also, she evaded service
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   and -- okay.
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              MS. WORTMAN: I threw them on the floor.
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              THE COURT: Okay.
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              MS. SILVER: Okay. I'm a licensed process
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    server, your Honor, and anything --
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              MR. WORTMAN: I was there. She never threw a
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   paper.
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              MS. SILVER: -- that disrupts service --
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              THE COURT:
                          Okay.
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              MS. SILVER: -- it's not -- it's not relevant.
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   Okay. So then what happened was --
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              THE COURT: I just want to know what the
 6
   documents are that you're looking for and whether or not
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    these individuals have them, that's it.
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, your recent --
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              THE COURT: That's all I want to know.
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              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, may I --
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              MS. SILVER: Victor Wortman on the recorded
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   phone line --
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- interrupt for a second?
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              MS. SILVER: -- telling me he has them. He's
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   very adamant. I was supposed to meet him at a pizza
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   place in New Hyde Park at around February 16th. So he
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    told me --
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              MR. WORTMAN: At a pizza place? Why would I go
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   to New Hyde Park?
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              MS. SILVER: -- he told me that they were very
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   relevant to my case. He said he specifically named the
   pages and all I want are my documents. I don't want to
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   hold anybody in contempt and that's all I am asking for
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   and they didn't answer -- you know, they violated an
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   order.
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10 Proceedings 1 THE COURT: Okay. The only basis you have for 2 thinking that Mrs. Wortman has them is because she is 3 married to Victor Wortman, is that right? MS. SILVER: Because she lives in the house and 4 5 he said that he's very adamant and I have known him for 6 over 15 years, your Honor. And he --7 THE COURT: Okay. But --8 MS. SILVER: -- said that they were found on his door stoop. But he doesn't -- I know him for a very 9 10 long time. 11 THE COURT: -- from your own admission, he was 12 the one who had them. there's no indication that Mrs. 13 Wortman had them or had any control over them or had any 14 knowledge of them, at least from what you're telling me. 15 MS. SILVER: I don't believe she doesn't have 16 any knowledge of them because an hour and a half phone 17 conversation that I had with her on the day after 18 Mother's Day, she said to me, she's a crazy, honest to 19 God, goody two shoes and she told me that she looked in 20 the house. She couldn't find them. That doesn't mean 21 she doesn't have knowledge of them. 22 And also, what happens, your Honor --23 MS. WORTMAN: I do not have knowledge from 24 them. 25 MS. SILVER: -- if Mrs. Wortman found them on

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   the door stoop? I can't take that -- I mean, they're
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   important documents that could be incriminating me. And
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   then she told me they're in the Bay Terrace Jewish
   Center. So --
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              MS. WORTMAN: No, I didn't, Jackie.
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              MR. WORTMAN: That's a lie.
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              MS. SILVER: So that's what I have to do.
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   That's what I have --
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             MS. WORTMAN: I told you -- no, Jackie, you
   don't --
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              MS. SILVER: -- I have her on recorded phone
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   lines.
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              MS. WORTMAN: -- if you have me recorded, then
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   play it because what I said to you, Jackie --
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              MS. SILVER: Your Honor, can I please finish?
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              MS. WORTMAN: -- these are my exact words is
   that they're not in my house. They're either in his car
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18
   or maybe the Bay Terrace Jewish Center.
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              MS. SILVER: She never said that. I object
   that. She never said that they are in his car.
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              MS. WORTMAN: That is what I said.
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              MS. SILVER: She never said that, your Honor.
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              MR. WORTMAN: That's if they exist.
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              THE COURT: All right.
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              MS. SILVER: Can I please finish what I need to
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   say, your Honor.
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              THE COURT: This is a very simple issue.
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              MR. WORTMAN: What happened when you called the
    temple?
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              MS. SILVER: But the bottom line is, your
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   Honor --
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              THE COURT: This is a very simple issue.
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              MS. SILVER: -- they didn't answer a subpoena.
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   Their time has passed.
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              THE COURT: She has told you multiple times she
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   doesn't have the documents.
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              MS. SILVER: But that's three months later,
   four months later.
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              THE COURT: Well, it's passed at this point.
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   What's the difference?
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              MS. SILVER: Could you -- could you get her
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   under oath saying that she doesn't have -- she has no
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   knowledge --
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              THE COURT: I've already done that at the
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   conference that you failed to show up for.
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              MR. WORTMAN: You didn't show up and you told
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   me not to come and you're going to lie and you're going
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   to say --
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              MS. SILVER: That's not true.
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- that I threatened you.
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              MS. SILVER: I never said that.
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              MR. WORTMAN: Did I threaten you?
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              MS. SILVER: I never said that, your Honor.
              THE COURT: I don't care.
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                            I never said that like --
              MR. WORTMAN:
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              THE COURT: I don't see any reason why --
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- the rest of this is true.
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              THE COURT: -- Mrs. Wortman should be held in
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   contempt. I am denying that motion. Mrs. Wortman, you
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   are free to leave the call.
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              MS. WORTMAN: Thank you so much, your Honor.
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              MS. SILVER: Well, what about the motion to
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   strike?
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              MS. WORTMAN: Thank you.
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    (Mrs. Wortman excused)
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              MS. SILVER: What about the motion to strike
   the letter?
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              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor --
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              THE COURT: Nope.
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- may I just state one thing?
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              MS. SILVER: She put in a letter ex parte all
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   about lies about me. How is she allowed to do an ex
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   parte letter?
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              MR. WORTMAN: No.
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              THE COURT: It's not ex parte.
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              MR. WORTMAN:
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              THE COURT: It's filed on the docket.
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              MS. SILVER: I didn't get served, your Honor.
              THE COURT: That's too bad. You are a party in
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 5
    this case.
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              MR. WORTMAN: You're doing this for twenty
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   years.
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              THE COURT: You are responsible for monitoring
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   the docket.
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              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, I must tell you
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   something.
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              MS. SILVER: Yeah, but I get served --
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              MR. WORTMAN: It's very important.
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   complained in her paper that I quickly read over, that
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   her lawyer is upset that we didn't have the courtesy to
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   call the lawyer back. When I called the lawyer, the
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   lawyer said to me, "I have nothing to do with Jackie
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   Silver, and please do not call me on anything, and I
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    stress anything that has to do with Jackie Silver."
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              MS. SILVER: And so did Alexander Fine (ph.),
21
   his lawyer. And he has a lawyer. Where is his lawyer?
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   Why isn't his lawyer on the phone?
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              MR. WORTMAN: She is a liar.
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              MS. SILVER: He's a liar.
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              MR. WORTMAN: And bordering psychopathic.
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              MS. SILVER: Excuse me? Excuse me, Victor?
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   You're the one that hallucinates.
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              MR. WORTMAN: That's my opinion.
              MS. SILVER: You're the one that hallucinates.
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              MR. WORTMAN: My unprofessional opinion.
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              MS. SILVER: Listen, he is trying to, your
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   Honor -- your Honor, he is trying to find every which way
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   to get out of the --
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              THE COURT: Look, all I want to know is whether
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   there's any documents.
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              MR. WORTMAN: I should try.
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              MS. SILVER: He has my documents. I have a
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   phone -- can I play the phone recording?
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              THE COURT: Do you have the recording?
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              MS. SILVER: Yeah, but it's on -- I need to put
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   it on a speaker and (indiscernible) something.
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              THE COURT: Mr. Wortman, do you have any
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   documents that you received, I don't care how, that
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   relate in any way to Ms. Silver's case?
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              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, I swear, I swear on
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   everything that's good to me --
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              MS. SILVER: He's a liar. He's lying.
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- I do not have a document.
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   never saw a document. The reason I know about her
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   conditions and how many institutions she was in and out
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   of the last ten years --
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              MS. SILVER: Excuse me. How is he allowed to
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   say all of this? This is not before you.
              MR. WORTMAN: -- has strictly to do with her
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   telling me everything and I kept on telling her, go to a
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   doctor, go to a psychiatrist.
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              MS. SILVER: No, he didn't.
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              MR. WORTMAN: No, I didn't?
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              MS. SILVER: He had a three year relationship
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   with me.
             No, he didn't. I have documents. I have texts
   -- I have texts from him and I have e-mails from him,
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12
   your Honor. Okay?
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              MR. WORTMAN:
                            That's when I told you, Sweetie,
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   don't threat. Everything is going to work out. We got
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   you money for rent. I went and raised $12,000 for rent
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   and what happened was when it came to collecting the
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    rent, she wanted it in cash. So all the people that were
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   involved in this loan said absolutely we're not going
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    through with this because we do not want to give her
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    cash. It's going to go to the wrong thing.
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              MS. SILVER: Your Honor, I object. That's
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   not --
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              MR. WORTMAN: That's why she lost that.
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              THE COURT: Okay. Look, we're going off
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   tangent here.
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              MS. SILVER: To go off and say about my
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   psychological --
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              THE COURT:
                          Stop.
              MS. SILVER: -- you know, that's irrelevant.
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   That's really irrelevant.
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              THE COURT: Stop.
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              MR. WORTMAN: Everything that's --
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              THE COURT: I just want to know --
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- everything that's true is
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   irrelevant, right?
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              THE COURT: -- is there any --
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              MS. SILVER: He has them, your Honor. I have
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   him on the tape.
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              THE COURT: Okay. Well, I haven't heard the
15
   tape.
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              MR. WORTMAN: Let me hear the tape. Where do
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   you have the tape?
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              MS. SILVER: I have it on a -- actually, I have
19
   it on a flash drive. I don't -- I couldn't bring
20
   anything into the Court. That's the problem.
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              MR. WORTMAN: And since when do you go around
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   recording beforehand every -- you're just trying to set
23
   people up.
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              MS. SILVER: Okay. I will just tell you what
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   he said and let him deny it, okay?
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              MR. WORTMAN: And I have some witnesses telling
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   me that you do this for a livelihood.
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              MS. SILVER: Your Honor, can I just read it?
   Your Honor, can I just read it to you?
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              MR. WORTMAN: Did you kick your aunt out of her
 6
   house?
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              MS. SILVER: Your Honor, can I read it
   verbatim?
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              MR. WORTMAN: Jackie, did you kick -- did you
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   kick your aunt out of the house?
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              MS. SILVER: What does this have to do with it,
12
   your Honor? He didn't answer --
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              MR. WORTMAN: It shows who you are.
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              MS. SILVER: -- the subpoena. He should be
15
   held in contempt.
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              MR. WORTMAN: It shows what you do.
              THE COURT: Mr. Wortman --
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              MR. WORTMAN: You kicked your aunt out of the
19
   house --
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              MS. SILVER: This is totally irrelevant.
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- when she let you sleep there
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   for two nights.
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              THE COURT: Okay.
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              MS. SILVER: This is ridiculous.
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              MR. WORTMAN: And you kicked her out and she
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   couldn't sell the house.
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              MS. SILVER: Your Honor?
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              MR. WORTMAN: Did you do that?
              MS. SILVER: Can I just -- can I just read
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    this? Can I just read this to you, what he said?
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              THE COURT: Is it the same thing that is in
 7
   your motion?
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              MS. SILVER: Yeah, verbatim.
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              THE COURT: So you don't --
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              MS. SILVER: So I want him to --
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              THE COURT: -- need to read it again.
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              MS. SILVER: Yeah, but can't he -- he didn't
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    even oppose -- they didn't even oppose the motion.
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   hundred percent sure he has my documents or Bay Terrace
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    Jews -- they're playing a shell game.
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              MR. WORTMAN: You cannot call the Bay Terrace
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    Jewish Center. You got a young thirteen year old girl
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   that answered the phone --
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              MS. SILVER: He's throwing tangents --
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- and you asked her whose penis
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   is larger.
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              MS. SILVER: He's going off on tangents.
23
   object to this.
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              MR. WORTMAN: You cannot call the temple doing
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   things like that. Now we have the tape and we have
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   everything we need to put you away for a long time.
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              MS. SILVER: Your Honor, I object. If he has
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   anything criminal against me, then I have a right to a
   criminal lawyer and this is nothing -- this has nothing
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    to do with what's before you.
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              MR. WORTMAN: There's a criminal case --
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              MS. SILVER: He's evading -- he's evading --
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- pending.
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              MS. SILVER: -- he's trying not to give me my
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   documents.
11
              MR. WORTMAN: You were arrested by three
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   detectives a few weeks --
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              MS. SILVER: Okay, this is irrelevant.
14
              MR. WORTMAN: -- a few nights ago.
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              THE COURT: I just want to know whether there's
16
    any documents, Mr. Wortman.
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              MS. SILVER: Your Honor, this is irrelevant.
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              THE COURT: That's it.
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              MS. SILVER: He's -- he's defaming me.
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              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, I swear on everything
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    that is good to me --
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              MS. SILVER: He's lying.
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              MR. WORTMAN: -- I never saw a document.
24
              MS. SILVER: He's lying.
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              MR. WORTMAN: I never had a document.
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21 Proceedings just one of the sinister ways that this person operates. 1 2 She's trying to get money obviously. And she's done this 3 before in many different cases. She told me about a sexual harassment case and how she twisted in it and how 4 5 she twisted out of it. 6 MS. SILVER: What is he talking about? 7 MR. WORTMAN: I mean this was scary. I got a 8 friend to call from my bookkeeper at the temple that this girl that says she's your friend and she's going through 9 10 your garbage. Jackie, who was that person that was going 11 through my garbage? 12 MS. SILVER: Your Honor, I object to all this. 13 This is not what is before you. 14 MR. WORTMAN: And may I remind you, Jackie, you 15 told me why you're going through my garbage. You said 16 you lost your watch in my office. 17 MS. SILVER: And do you want me to start 18 telling you what he did? I mean, this is irrelevant. I 19 am not going to -- this is totally irrelevant. 20 MR. WORTMAN: It shows who you are. It shows 21 what you are. It shows what you're made up of and we're 22 asking you, tell me what you need to stop this. MS. SILVER: I need my documents, Mr. Wortman, 23 24 that are in your possession. 25 MR. WORTMAN: I just told you, there are no

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22
                           Proceedings
   documents. That was a play. There is no documents.
1
 2
              MS. SILVER: A play for what --
 3
              MR. WORTMAN: You played it.
              MS. SILVER: -- Victor?
 4
 5
              MR. WORTMAN: Because you wanted to hold onto
 6
   me.
 7
              MS. SILVER: Yeah, right, right. I have all of
 8
   the texts from you, Victor. Meet me at the office. You
 9
   want me to go into it? I have a whole thing. I am going
10
   to give it to the court.
11
              MR. WORTMAN: There's a long thing between meet
12
   me at the office --
13
              MS. SILVER: -- you're sexy and delicious.
14
              MR. WORTMAN: -- because I am trying to find
15
   out how you know my children's address. Do you know that
16
    I haven't seen my grandchildren in weeks because of you?
17
              MS. SILVER: All right. Your Honor, this is --
18
   your Honor, I want my documents. That's all I am asking
19
         He didn't answer the subpoenas. He never answered
20
    anything. He should be held in contempt and I want --
21
              MR. WORTMAN: I didn't answer the subpoena
22
   because --
23
              MS. SILVER: -- I want monetary sanctions.
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24
   am asking for monetary sanctions. This isn't right.
25
   There's no reason why he shouldn't answer a subpoena.
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23
                            Proceedings
              MS. FITZGIBBON:
                               If I may, your Honor?
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 2
              MS. SILVER: Can I --
 3
              MS. FITZGIBBON: Defendants would ask that -- I
   mean, I know your Honor has asked plaintiff to identify
 4
 5
   the documents but defendants would ask the plaintiff to
 6
   identify any documents that Victor Wortman might have
 7
   that would not have been available to plaintiff via a
 8
   FOIL request or a request to any agency of the City of
   New York or any request that would go through proper
 9
10
   channels to identify these John Doe officers because I
11
   believe this whole issue of plaintiff's due diligence has
12
   now devolved into what appears to be a personal vendetta.
13
              MS. SILVER: That's not true.
14
              MR. WORTMAN: That's what it is.
15
              MS. SILVER: No, that's not.
16
              THE COURT: I have to agree. I don't see any
17
   relevance to any of this stuff.
18
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor?
19
              THE COURT: Motion is denied. Mr. Wortman,
20
   you're free to go.
21
              MS. SILVER: That's not right.
22
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, I give $1,000 a year
23
    to the --
24
              MS. SILVER: You're letting him go and on.
25
              MR. WORTMAN: -- police department, $1,000.
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24
                            Proceedings
 1
   am not a rich person because of the work that they do.
 2
              MS. SILVER: Why are you letting him speak?
 3
   don't understand this.
              MR. WORTMAN: And I can't understand how --
 4
 5
              THE COURT: I let you speak too.
              MR. WORTMAN: -- in the world am I --
 6
 7
              MS. SILVER: I didn't say anything I had to say
   -- I could bash him, too.
 8
 9
              MR. WORTMAN: -- tied into police.
10
              MS. SILVER: How we had a three year
11
   relationship with me.
12
              MR. WORTMAN: Suing police? How could you sue
   policemen?
13
14
              MS. SILVER: Your Honor, he has my documents.
15
              MR. WORTMAN: Documents. I told you I don't
16
   know what document is --
17
              MS. SILVER: I have him on a recorded phone
18
   line.
19
              THE COURT: Well --
20
              MR. WORTMAN: By the way, do I also know your
21
   sister?
22
              MS. SILVER: And I didn't say it -- your Honor,
23
   I didn't say it. I said it's relevant to the case.
24
   never said it's relevance to the diligence.
25
   diligence is --
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25
                            Proceedings
              MR. WORTMAN: Do I know your sister?
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 2
              THE COURT: That's the only issue in the case.
 3
              MR. WORTMAN: How many times did you text me,
   how come I am carrying on with your sister?
 4
 5
              MS. SILVER: I understand but Honorable Ross in
 6
   January came back and she said that she wants me to do a
 7
   limited discovery based upon what my -- limited discovery
 8
   based upon my diligence and again -- this already -- the
   motion was already served on them.
 9
10
              THE COURT: The only thing that you've said is
11
   that you basically -- you never had these documents.
12
   Right?
13
              MS. SILVER: He had -- he never gave them to
14
   me.
15
              THE COURT: For how many years have you not had
16
   these documents and did you take any other steps to try
17
    to identify who the police officers were? Did you make a
18
   FOIA request? Did you --
19
              MS. SILVER: I asked Honorable Ross if I could
20
   have a two week extension.
21
              MR. WORTMAN: No.
22
              THE COURT: No, no, no. I am not talking about
23
         I am talking about back when this happened.
24
              MS. SILVER: Yeah, I have--
25
              THE COURT: Within the statute of
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26
                            Proceedings
 1
   limitations --
 2
              MS. SILVER: I'm collecting all of my
   information. I am almost done -- I'm almost done with my
 3
 4
    diligence or --
 5
              MR. WORTMAN: Seven years.
              MS. SILVER: I need like another week.
 6
 7
              THE COURT: Okay.
 8
              MR. WORTMAN: Jackie?
 9
              THE COURT: There's been --
10
              MS. SILVER: The City --
11
              THE COURT: -- I don't --
12
              MS. SILVER: -- but the City, your Honor --
13
              MR. WORTMAN: -- did my mother-in-law --
14
              THE COURT: -- understand in any way what these
15
    documents will do to help your --
16
              MS. SILVER: Because they go to --
17
              THE COURT: -- establishment of diligence.
18
              MS. SILVER: -- I know him for 15 years. He
19
   told me that --
              THE COURT: But you don't know what the
20
21
   documents are.
              MR. WORTMAN: I also don't because --
22
23
              MS. SILVER: So now he has them.
24
              MR. WORTMAN: -- I never saw them.
25
              MS. SILVER: He's lying. He's lying.
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27
                            Proceedings
 1
              THE COURT: Even if he has the documents now,
 2
   what are they going to do for you?
 3
              MS. SILVER: It's relevant to the case.
              THE COURT: It doesn't matter.
 4
 5
                            What case?
              MR. WORTMAN:
 6
              THE COURT: The only issue in the case is
 7
   whether or not you were diligent during the statute of
 8
   limitations period in identifying who the officers were.
 9
   That's the only issue.
10
              MS. SILVER: Well, if the case goes forward,
   your Honor --
11
12
              MR. WORTMAN: How could you sue police?
13
   could you sue police? Jackie, where do you live?
14
              MS. SILVER: If your case goes forward --
15
              THE COURT: We'll talk to that when we get
16
    to -- Mr. Wortman --
17
              MS. SILVER: But I don't understand something.
18
   Can I ask you a question, okay?
19
              THE COURT: What?
20
              MS. SILVER: They were served the motion,
21
   right, contempt? I mean the subpoena. Right?
                                                    If you
22
   don't answer by a certain time, it gets waived. So Susan
23
   Wortman waived any of her rights to answer the subpoena.
24
              THE COURT: If she doesn't have the documents,
25
   how can she comply with it?
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28
                            Proceedings
 1
              MS. SILVER: But that's six months ago.
 2
   months ago.
 3
              MR. WORTMAN: We're looking for the truth.
              MS. SILVER: She didn't tell me anything.
 4
 5
              MR. WORTMAN: We are not looking for what's
 6
   hidden.
 7
              MS. SILVER: I'm not a hundred percent sure.
 8
              MR. WORTMAN: My mother-in-law -- and my
   mother-in-law is not the one that made you lose all of
 9
10
   your cases.
11
              MS. SILVER: I think it would be incriminating
12
   me.
13
              MR. WORTMAN: Do you remember that? My mother-
14
   in-law, the chief judge, who never stepped into court a
15
    day in her life?
16
              MS. SILVER: This is another thing that -- in
17
   other words -- I am a hundred percent sure that he has
18
   the document -- well, you're letting him speak on
19
    something that's totally irrelevant. I don't understand.
20
              THE COURT: This whole issue is irrelevant.
21
              MR. WORTMAN: It's relevant because it shows
22
   exactly what you're made up of and what you do. You
23
    actually sue police.
24
              MS. SILVER: Why are you letting him speak like
25
   this?
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29
                            Proceedings
 1
              THE COURT: All right. Mr. Wortman, that's
 2
   enough.
 3
              MS. SILVER: He's telling you totally
 4
   irrelevant stuff and he's defaming my -- ruining my case.
 5
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, is there any way I
 6
   could get an order of protection from this --
 7
              MS. SILVER: Excuse me?
 8
              THE COURT: Not in this court. If you want to
 9
   do that, you're going to --
10
              MR. WORTMAN: All right.
11
              THE COURT: -- have to go through other
12
   channels.
13
              MR. WORTMAN: I am going to go through the
14
   criminal --
15
              MS. SILVER: I object. If they have any
16
   criminal matters against me, I have a right to get a
17
   criminal lawyer.
18
              THE COURT: No, you don't.
19
              MS. SILVER: Because --
20
              THE COURT: There's no criminal charges pending
21
   against you in this court.
22
              MS. SILVER: I understand that but he's
23
   discussing it then, it's the wrong court.
24
              THE COURT: Look, I just want to find out what
25
   the story is with respect to these documents.
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30
                            Proceedings
 1
              MS. SILVER: He has my documents. I am a
 2
   hundred percent sure.
 3
              THE COURT: All right. Well, he says he
 4
   doesn't and unless you can prove otherwise --
 5
              MS. SILVER: I could. I have to -- I have to
 6
   play it on a -- can I play it on my flash drive on a
 7
   computer? I can't put anything to the Court.
 8
              MR. WORTMAN: Bring the tapes.
 9
              MS. SILVER: He goes, I have no use for them.
10
   I could give them to you. It's information that you
11
   could use for your case.
12
              THE COURT: Look --
13
              MR. WORTMAN: You know that it has nothing.
14
              MS. SILVER: Police reports. He says it's
15
   doctor's reports .
16
              MR. WORTMAN: I wanted to know how you know my
17
   kid's address and why I can't see my children.
18
              MS. SILVER: What is this irrelevant (sic) -- I
19
   object. This is not even irrelevant. He's rambling on
20
   and on and on, on tangents.
21
              MR. WORTMAN: It shows who you are and what you
22
   are.
23
              MS. SILVER: That has nothing to do with this,
24
   your Honor.
25
              MR. WORTMAN: And you're going to get arrested
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                            Proceedings
   again if you come to the --
1
 2
              MS. SILVER: Can I ask --
 3
              MR. WORTMAN: -- house tonight.
              MS. SILVER: -- can I ask you a question?
 4
 5
              MR. WORTMAN: Jackie, if you come to my
 6
   house --
 7
              MS. SILVER: He's delusional.
 8
              MR. WORTMAN: Jackie, if you come to my house
 9
   tonight --
              MS. SILVER: He's delusional.
10
11
              MR. WORTMAN: -- I have the detectives waiting.
12
   They're going to arrest you again.
13
              MS. SILVER: He's delusional, your Honor.
14
              THE COURT: Look, I just want to know you have
15
   a tape that says he --
16
              MS. SILVER: I don't -- I have everything. I
17
   have a flash drive. I put in my contempt motion back in
18
   March and it wasn't even answered.
19
              MR. WORTMAN: Let me guess, it got erased.
20
   Right?
21
              MS. SILVER: I have it.
22
              MR. WORTMAN: Oh, sure.
23
              MS. SILVER: I have a couple of things here.
24
              MR. WORTMAN: Where are they?
25
              MS. SILVER: But I can't bring anything into
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32
                            Proceedings
    the courthouse.
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 2
              MR. WORTMAN: You're in court now.
 3
              MS. SILVER: That's the problem.
              THE COURT: I thought you just said you had it.
 4
 5
              MS. SILVER: No, I said I can't bring like my
 6
   netbook or anything, my tablet.
 7
              THE COURT: Do you have the --
              MS. SILVER: I have it --
 8
              THE COURT: -- flash drive?
 9
10
              MS. SILVER: I have it on here.
11
              THE COURT: What's that?
12
              MS. SILVER: It's an MP3 player.
13
              MR. WORTMAN: I don't even know what that
   means. And why do you go around recording people?
14
15
              MS. SILVER: And I have it on here.
16
              MR. WORTMAN: Are you allowed to just go around
17
    for no reason, say hello to a person before you know
18
   anything, and you're recording them?
19
              MS. SILVER: You know, Victor, you're saying
20
   things that, you know what, that have -- are not
21
   pertinent to the case.
22
              MR. WORTMAN: That's worse than suing the
23
   police.
24
              MS. SILVER: Don't worry. I'm suing you for
25
   emotional distress, okay? And defamation.
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33
                            Proceedings
              MR. WORTMAN: I know you're going to do that.
1
 2
              MS. SILVER: I know you have my documents,
 3
   Victor.
              MR. WORTMAN: But you better not come to my
 4
 5
   house.
 6
              MS. SILVER: Your wife harassed me.
 7
   six phone calls back in May, okay, to my house -- to my
   voicemail.
 8
 9
              MR. WORTMAN: No, she made seven.
10
              MS. SILVER: She said to me -- but, your Honor,
11
   I don't even think Susan Wortman is credible because she
12
   told me she is a goody two shoes and she's honest.
13
   Meanwhile, she told me the documents are in the
14
   synagoque.
15
              MR. WORTMAN: She told you they could be
16
   anyplace including the synagogue.
17
              MS. SILVER: You don't know, Victor. You
18
   weren't there. He didn't hear the conversation.
19
              MR. WORTMAN: And you must watch your language.
20
   I was in the building --
              THE COURT: I still have no idea --
21
22
              MR. WORTMAN: -- when this conversation took
23
   place and you spoke to me and I told you, how could you
24
    say that to a thirteen year old girl?
25
              MS. SILVER: Your Honor, the documents are
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34
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   relevant to my case.
1
 2
              MR. WORTMAN: You're going to get arrested.
 3
              MS. SILVER: No, the documents are relevant to
 4
   my case.
 5
              MR. WORTMAN: You know what your answer to me
 6
   was?
 7
              THE COURT: Are these documents --
 8
              MR. WORTMAN: Your answer to me was you're not
   going to get arrested because you have mental illness.
 9
10
              MS. SILVER: Why don't you ask him --
11
              MR. WORTMAN: Who said that?
12
              MS. SILVER: -- why don't you ask him --
13
              THE COURT: Mr. Wortman, have you ever had any
14
   documents related to Ms. Silver?
15
              MR. WORTMAN: Zero, not even anything close.
16
              MS. SILVER: So, what -- can I ask some
17
   questions?
18
              THE COURT: What are these documents supposed
19
   to be?
20
              MS. SILVER: Are you asking me or him?
21
              MR. WORTMAN: I wish I knew.
22
              THE COURT: You.
23
              MS. SILVER: Okay. He told me -- that's what I
24
   am not clear about. All he said to me was -- and he was
25
   very adamant, and he told me we'll meet and he'll give
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35
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1
    them to me.
 2
              MR. WORTMAN: That wasn't the question, I think
 3
   your Honor asked you.
              MS. SILVER: He said there's 61 pages. Your
 4
 5
   Honor, I swear to God on my life, I am under oath. I
 6
   have no reason to lie. This has been going on for eight
 7
   months. It's ruining my case. I can't sleep at night.
   This is like ruining my case.
 8
 9
              THE COURT: I still have no idea what these
10
   documents --
11
              MS. SILVER: Okay.
12
              THE COURT: -- are supposed to prove.
13
              MS. SILVER: There's 61 pages, he told me of
14
   medical records, of things about me that I would have
15
   never believed he said, and he said there's police
16
   reports in there. I have known him for sixteen years.
17
   When my sister had me -- you know, I went to a mental --
18
   in the hospital on May 27th, 2012, he told me he will
19
   help me out. And he said to me maybe we can find out on
20
   the police report and I thought maybe it could lead to
21
    the police, who the police were.
22
              THE COURT: Why couldn't you just ask for the
23
   police report from the police?
24
              MR. WORTMAN: Because you presented a totally
25
   different thing to me.
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36 Proceedings 1 MS. SILVER: Because at the time -- this was --2 at the time, I didn't even have a case going yet. 3 known him for a year, I confided in him. But what I am not understanding, if I have him on tape, how could he 4 5 say he is lying? I have no reason to make this up, your 6 I don't have a mental illness, thank God. Okay? 7 He hallucinates, by the way, he told me and I'll get -- I 8 will pull his records. 9 MR. WORTMAN: I what? 10 MS. SILVER: He -- you hallucinate, you told 11 me. Okay? You have multiple sclerosis. 12 THE COURT: Okay. 13 MR. WORTMAN: What's this thing that you 14 started a rumor --15 THE COURT: Unless you can explain to me why 16 these documents are at all relevant to the sole issue in 17 this case at this point, which is whether or not you 18 exercised due diligence in identifying the police 19 officers during the statute of limitations period, I just 20 -- this is a waste of everyone's time. Even if he had 21 records that might be tangentially related to your case, 22 it doesn't explain to me why getting those records now 23 would have anything to do with proving diligence. 24 MS. SILVER: Because, I told you, it's a minute 25 part of it. It's not the whole thing.

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 1
              THE COURT: But how? You haven't explained --
 2
   you said it's part of it, but you haven't explained how.
 3
              MS. SILVER: And, your Honor, if I get the
   documents that he has in his possession that Bay Terrace
 4
 5
    Jewish Center has, I mean, then maybe I could tell you
 6
   exactly but he is very general about it. What I could
 7
   tell you is he knows detectives, as he just said.
 8
              MR. WORTMAN: The Bay Terrace Jewish Center
   has a thousand members --
 9
10
              MS. SILVER: He knows detectives. He knows a
11
   lot of people. He's a cantor in a synagogue.
12
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor --
13
              MS. SILVER: He told me could help me out --
14
              MR. WORTMAN: -- there are a thousand people in
15
   that synagogue.
16
              MS. SILVER: -- because the Queens Supreme
17
   Court, the one I had in the Queens Supreme Court, your
18
   Honor, is related to this.
19
              MR. WORTMAN: And I have been there for 47
20
   years.
21
              MS. SILVER: Whatever I did for the Queens
22
    Supreme Court, I did for this one, too. That's what I
23
        So he helped me out when his sister put --
24
              MR. WORTMAN: And now I have to listen to
25
   someone suing police.
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38
                            Proceedings
 1
              MS. SILVER: Could he -- I mean, I need -- I
 2
   can't speak over him. He had his time to talk. I mean,
 3
   the only way as I put in two motions, one, I mean, I did
   one in March and it was never answered and I asked for a
 4
 5
   ruling --
 6
              MR. WORTMAN: What did my lawyer tell you?
 7
   Waste your paper.
 8
              MS. SILVER: -- and then I asked you -- I asked
 9
   -- I put it all in the letter twice. I mean, all I could
10
   tell you, your Honor, is that what I have what he told
11
        I mean, isn't that enough evidence?
12
              MR. WORTMAN: I have what you told me.
13
              MS. SILVER: I don't really -- I am not --
14
              THE COURT: I have what you wrote but I don't
15
   have a tape. I haven't heard anything.
16
              MS. SILVER: Well, how am I supposed to do
17
          I can't bring anything into the Court.
18
              MR. WORTMAN: I thought you said you had a
19
   tape.
20
              MS. SILVER: I could tell you exactly where it
21
   is.
22
              MR. WORTMAN: That's hearsay. I want to see
23
   the tape because if there's a tape like that, that means
24
   you doctored it.
25
              MS. SILVER: Okay, Victor --
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39
                            Proceedings
 1
              MR. WORTMAN: And you are going to go to
 2
   prison.
 3
              MS. SILVER: -- you never -- you never --
   you're under oath now. You never told me anything about
 4
 5
   any documents.
 6
              MR. WORTMAN: Not a word other than denying
 7
   that I have them.
 8
              MS. SILVER: Yes, because he -- your Honor, he
   hallucinates.
10
              MR. WORTMAN: And also denying that my mother-
11
   in-law is the chief judge.
12
              MS. SILVER: He hallucinates. What does --
13
              MR. WORTMAN: Were you hallucinating then?
14
              MS. SILVER: -- this have to do with it? He's
15
   going off on tangents.
              THE COURT: I don't know. Give me the tape if
16
17
   you got it.
18
              MS. SILVER: I have an MP3 -- I have it on an
19
   MP3 player and I have it on a --
20
              MR. WORTMAN: You're liable to go home now and
21
   create a tape. And please don't come to my house.
22
              MS. SILVER: I agree with you, your Honor.
23
   This --
24
              MR. WORTMAN: I want to see my grandchildren.
25
              MS. SILVER: Your Honor, I agree. It's wasting
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 1
   your time and I just want to get on with my case, too. I
 2
   mean, I don't -- why would I lie?
 3
              MR. WORTMAN: And did I threaten you not to go
   to the judge? Be honest. Did I threaten you?
 4
 5
              MS. SILVER: You got to put it on speaker
 6
    (indiscernible).
 7
              THE CLERK: (Indiscernible).
 8
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, may I ask if I could
 9
   get anything written that we participated in this
10
    conversation and that we hopefully concluded.
11
              MS. SILVER: Can I come over there?
              THE CLERK: No, just hold on. It may not
12
13
    (indiscernible) here.
14
              THE COURT: Just one second. I am going to see
15
    if this tape can be played.
16
              MS. SILVER: I can tell you exactly where it
17
    is, where he said it.
              MS. FITZGIBBON: For the record, your Honor,
18
19
   defendants state an objection to the playing of this
20
   recording. It has no relevance to the case or
21
   plaintiff's diligence. She hasn't identified any
22
   relevance to the diligence or identified any -- how this
23
   would have helped her identify the John Does, which is
24
   the sole issue of discovery at this point.
25
              THE COURT: The objection is noted. Let's see
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 1
   if we can get it to play and see what it does, if
 2
   anything.
 3
              MS. SILVER: Okay. I have an objection.
   want to just (indiscernible) to your attention, your
 4
 5
   Honor. You did tell me I could renew the motion. That's
 6
   what I did, I renewed the motion.
 7
              THE COURT: Uh-hum.
 8
              THE CLERK: Do you know what the name of this
 9
   device is?
              MS. SILVER: Do I know where it is?
10
11
              THE CLERK: No, the name of the device, the
12
   flash drive.
13
              MS. SILVER: Oh, I think it's under
14
    (indiscernible). I think it's SanDisk or -- did this
15
   plug this into a computer with a flash -- a disk?
16
              THE COURT: Yeah, I think there's errors on the
17
   drive.
18
              MS. SILVER: You can't open it? Because
19
   normally it says (indiscernible) I just open it. I don't
20
   want to get a virus now.
21
              THE COURT: There's a (indiscernible) folder.
22
   What is it under?
23
              MS. SILVER: It should say -- oh, you mean VW,
24
   it's a long name -- VW, maybe.
25
              THE COURT: There's a Word document but there's
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1
   no --
 2
              MS. SILVER: I guess I can't look at it, right?
 3
              THE COURT: You don't know what (indiscernible)
   drive (indiscernible)?
 4
 5
              MS. SILVER: What do you got there because I
 6
   can't --
 7
              THE COURT: Just like (indiscernible).
 8
              THE CLERK: (Indiscernible).
 9
              MS. SILVER: How about it's -- I have a
10
   flash --
11
              THE CLERK: There's field sheets, clips 2015,
12
    (indiscernible). These are all folders.
13
              MS. SILVER: Yeah, if you want to read it, I
14
   could tell you.
              THE CLERK: So there's -- what do you want,
15
16
   folders?
17
              MS. SILVER: HP stands of my process serving.
18
   The field sheets are my process serving.
19
              THE CLERK: No, it says -- but which folder
20
   ma'am?
21
              MS. SILVER: What's the last one, ma'am?
22
   What's the last one on the -- I might have put it into a
   folder.
23
24
              THE CLERK: Do you know what the file is
25
   called?
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              MS. SILVER: I don't think I put it into a
 2
          It might have -- is there something that -- the
 3
   last one on the --
 4
              MR. WORTMAN: Oh, this is so frivolous.
 5
              THE COURT: (Indiscernible). So why don't you
 6
   just come over here, so you can identify which file this
 7
   is supposed to be under.
 8
              MS. SILVER: (Indiscernible) computer, I can
 9
   put it on here. I know exactly where it is.
10
              MR. WORTMAN: All I did was try and help.
11
              MS. SILVER: Okay. Go to (indiscernible).
12
    (indiscernible) everything. Where he accuses me of
13
   vandalizing his car.
14
              THE CLERK: Can we see the bottom of the
15
    (indiscernible).
16
              MR. WORTMAN: I have a tape of that, Jackie. I
17
    am holding that for the criminal case.
18
    (Pause)
19
              MR. WORTMAN: Hello? Hello?
20
              THE CLERK: Nothing is playing.
21
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor?
22
              THE COURT: There's nothing going on?
23
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor?
24
              THE COURT: Yeah.
25
              MR. WORTMAN: Am I still on?
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              THE COURT: Yes.
1
 2
              MR. WORTMAN: There's a terrible echo.
 3
              THE COURT: Is that any better?
 4
              MR. WORTMAN: Much better.
 5
              THE COURT: Uh-hum.
              MR. WORTMAN: I hear myself like twice but
 6
 7
   that's okay.
 8
              THE CLERK: I think it might be this one here
 9
   not putting sound out because I am not even sure if this
10
   is hooked up to the speaker.
11
              THE COURT: I could try it on mine.
              THE CLERK: Do you need the drive?
12
13
              THE COURT: Yeah, let me have the drive.
14
    (Pause)
    (Recoding played)
15
16
              MS. SILVER: I left messages but this is not
   the file.
17
18
              THE COURT: Is this the right file or --
19
    (Recoding played)
20
              MS. SILVER: This is not it. This it not
21
   right.
22
              THE CLERK: She said it's not right.
23
    (Recoding played)
24
              MS. SILVER: No, those are just phone messages
25
   I kept of him. It's definite here.
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              THE COURT: I don't know if that will work.
1
 2
   Let me see.
 3
              MS. SILVER: Sorry. If I had my netbook, I
 4
    could show it.
 5
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor?
              MS. SILVER: Oh, it's not coming up?
 6
 7
              THE COURT: No.
 8
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor?
 9
              THE COURT: Yes. Go ahead.
10
              MR. WORTMAN: She spends hours doctoring tapes.
11
   Yes becomes no. No becomes yes. I've seen it with my
12
   own eyes and when I asked her if she said she's not
13
   worried about that because of mental illness.
14
              MS. SILVER: Victor, what does this have to do
15
   with anything?
16
              MR. WORTMAN: I have the date, the time.
17
   saved a lot of papers after I got good advice from the
18
   local police station. They can't believe I'm being sued
19
   and I'm made part of it. I go to the community meetings.
20
   I go to all the various -- many functions and for my name
21
   to appear suing the -- the police is a defamation. I
22
   wish there was a way to strike all of that.
23
              MS. SILVER: I don't know how to do it -- I
24
   don't have my netbook. If I had my netbook, I would put
25
   it on.
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              THE COURT: Look, I still -- there's nothing
 2
   here but -- look, I still haven't heard any particular
 3
   reason why these documents, even if they exist, would go
   to the sole issue that's before the Court.
 4
 5
              MS. SILVER: But the documents -- I didn't
 6
   subpoena Mr. and Mrs. Wortman in December. The
 7
   diligence, your Honor, as I told Judge Ross, wasn't even
 8
   -- wasn't even in question yet. She didn't even -- when
   Kaitlin did her motion to dismiss on that grounds --
 9
10
              THE COURT: The only issue at this point that's
11
   still outstanding is diligence. If you can't establish
12
   diligence --
13
              MS. SILVER: Right, but --
14
              THE COURT: -- then the rest of the case is
15
   being dismissed for statute of limitations violations.
16
    So there are no other --
17
              MS. SILVER: Well, I thought --
18
              THE COURT: -- there are no other issues that
19
   need to be explored until that initial issue of the
20
   diligence --
21
              MS. SILVER: Right, I am --
22
              THE COURT: -- is dealt with.
23
              MS. SILVER: I asked Judge Ross for an
24
   extension and I didn't get a response back. I didn't --
25
   I'm almost done. I just need like a week.
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   how it helps you at all.
1
 2
              MS. SILVER: Well, I am trying to explain to
 3
   you that Ms. -- Judge Ross, when she did the -- when she
   did the motion -- when she did the motion to dismiss back
 4
 5
   in December --
 6
              THE COURT: Uh-hum.
 7
              MS. SILVER: -- not it's earlier, it was after
 8
    January, I already served him with a subpoena.
 9
              THE COURT: Okay.
10
              MS. SILVER: So what I am not understanding,
11
   why are they getting special treatment? Forget about the
12
   diligence -- forget about the documents that he has -- I
13
    know he has them, okay, but when -- if I am right.
14
              First of all, I want to ask you, motion
15
   practice, isn't motion practice a motion, right, and then
16
   opposing papers and then reply, is that correct? It --
17
              THE COURT: It depends on the motion.
18
              MS. SILVER:
                          Okay.
19
              THE COURT:
                          Why?
20
              MS. SILVER: I did a motion to hold him in
21
   contempt. They have a certain amount of time per the
22
   Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 45, number C.
              THE COURT: Yeah, but they're a nonparty and
23
24
   they're not represented by counsel. So the rules are
25
   much different.
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              MS. SILVER: Well, Victor Wortman was adamant
 2
   about -- I mean, our conversation I had with him, I
 3
   didn't even -- he's talking on and on and on. I can
   stand here and talk on and on too. He was adamant. He
 4
 5
   said him and Susan Wortman are represented by counsel.
 6
   He has an attorney.
 7
              THE COURT: Well, they're not represented in
 8
   this case.
 9
              MS. SILVER: But any subpoena is usually a
10
   nonparty.
11
              THE COURT: No, not necessarily.
12
              MS. SILVER: But I read -- I read with nonparty
    subpoenas in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and on
13
14
    the manual, the pro se manual, this is how this Court
15
   works. I mean, how are they -- they should be held -- I
16
   want the monetary stage, look what they put me through
17
    for eight months. They didn't answer, your Honor.
18
   Victor Wortman never answered the subpoena. Could you
19
   ask him why? I want to know why he never answered it.
20
   Can I ask him?
21
              MR. WORTMAN: It's not relevant. And also, I
22
   probably --
23
              MS. SILVER: It is relevant.
24
              MR. WORTMAN: -- sent it to your P.O. box.
25
              MS. SILVER: It is relevant. Your Honor, I
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   swear to God, he did not answer.
1
 2
              MR. WORTMAN: You've been sending me a hundred
 3
   papers a day.
              MS. SILVER: Their time to answer the subpoenas
 4
 5
   have lapsed. It should be waived. This isn't fair to
 6
        This isn't fair to me.
 7
              MR. WORTMAN: And you have to stop playing --
 8
   you have to stop playing judge and lawyer.
 9
              MS. SILVER: In Susan Wortman's letter, she is
10
   harassing me.
11
              MR. WORTMAN: You're not.
12
              MS. SILVER: I have a right to oppose her
13
   letter, don't I?
14
              THE COURT: I have enough of this. This is a
15
   complete rabbit hole.
16
              MS. SILVER: All right. The bottom line is
17
    they have -- I want to put this on the record, okay?
18
              THE COURT: You put whatever you want on the
19
   record.
20
              MS. SILVER: Okay. I want to just say it again
21
   because this is -- I mean, I am the plaintiff. I'm the
22
   pro se. I have a right to bring a -- to serve a subpoena
23
   on anybody I feel has relevant documents to my case. I
24
   never said diligence.
25
              THE COURT: That's the only --
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 1
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, this gives her an
 2
   open book.
 3
              MS. SILVER: Judge Ross --
              THE COURT: -- issue --
 4
 5
              MS. SILVER: Okay.
 6
              THE COURT: -- that's before this Court.
 7
   That's the only issue before the Court. Anything else is
 8
    irrelevant at this point.
 9
              MS. SILVER: So it's irrelevant that they
10
   didn't answer a subpoena from eight months ago?
11
              THE COURT: We're dealing with that now.
12
              MS. SILVER: Right. So they didn't answer the
13
              I want -- I still want Susan Wortman.
                                                      I am
14
   going to appeal it because --
15
              MR. WORTMAN: You never sent me anything.
16
              MS. SILVER: -- they have a certain amount of
17
   time.
18
              THE COURT: All right. Well --
19
              MS. SILVER: I am going to appeal it anyhow, so
20
   because you know what? They're not special and they're
21
   nonparty subpoenas. And actually, I am going to say
22
   because he's saying irrelevant stuff, I -- as you know, I
   am a licensed process server and I serve a lot of
23
24
   subpoenas and I spoke to somebody who has a process
25
   serving --
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              MR. WORTMAN: Jackie, do you have your license
 1
 2
   on you?
 3
              MS. SILVER: -- association, your Honor.
   they did -- he did say also that if you don't answer a
 4
 5
   subpoena, especially when it's an amount of time, you're
 6
   held in contempt of court. What --
 7
              MR. WORTMAN: Then what did he tell me?
 8
              MS. SILVER: -- why aren't they held in
 9
   contempt of court?
10
              MR. WORTMAN: I have nothing to do with Jackie
11
   Silver.
12
              MS. SILVER: That's the Federal Rules of Civil
13
   Procedure, number C, I don't understand it. Why are they
14
   any different?
15
              THE COURT: Because it is not automatic. You
16
   have to establish that they have what you're asking for.
17
    They've said that they don't.
18
              MS. SILVER: No, you have to establish --
19
              THE COURT: You haven't established that.
20
              MS. SILVER: -- to obey the subpoena with a
21
   reasonable --
22
              THE COURT: The answer is they don't have what
23
   you're looking for.
24
              MS. SILVER: But what is -- what is eight
25
   months? He should have been subpoenaed -- he should have
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 1
   been held in contempt months ago. I gave him chances
 2
   after chances after chances. He never answered it, your
 3
   Honor.
              MR. WORTMAN: You gave me a chance?
 4
 5
              MS. SILVER: I want to -- I want to --
 6
              MR. WORTMAN: Which mind are you in now?
 7
              MS. SILVER: I am going to appeal it because I
 8
   want monetary sanctions for Victor and Susan.
 9
              THE COURT: Okay. Well --
10
              MS. SILVER: Look at what they put me through.
11
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, I just don't --
12
              THE COURT: I think you're putting yourself
13
   through this.
14
              MR. WORTMAN: -- want my grandchildren hurt.
15
              THE COURT: I don't think this is relevant at
16
    all to the issue in the case.
17
              MS. SILVER: But they didn't answer the
18
   subpoena.
19
              THE COURT: You've spent months pursuing this
20
   and it's not helping you in any way.
21
              MS. SILVER: Because he has my documents.
22
              THE COURT: The documents are not going to help
23
   you at this point.
24
              MS. SILVER: But you don't know that. Nobody
25
   knows what's in them.
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 1
              THE COURT: Neither do you which is why they
 2
   can't possibly help you.
 3
              MS. SILVER: We'll have a better shot of what's
   in them. Why don't you ask him? He sais 61 pages of
 4
 5
   medical records and he knows very much about that I was
 6
   evaluated by a doctor, which was not true. And he knows
 7
   that it's -- he said he could help me with the police in
 8
    finding out the names. That's what he told me when he
 9
   started -- when I started hanging out with him.
10
              MR. WORTMAN: I don't recall -- I don't know a
11
   word of --
12
              MS. SILVER: So I mean --
13
              MR. WORTMAN: -- what you're talking about.
14
              MS. SILVER: -- I said verbatim on my contempt
15
   motion, when I renewed, your Honor.
16
              MR. WORTMAN: Verbatim, you could say whatever
17
   you want. It doesn't mean that it happened. Really?
18
   Your Honor --
19
              MS. SILVER: I mean --
20
              MR. WORTMAN: -- all I want is for her not to
21
    come to my house because she --
22
              MS. SILVER: Okay. This is irrelevant.
                                                       This
23
   has nothing to do with this.
24
              MR. WORTMAN: -- is going to use this appeal to
25
   come to my temple, to disturb all the employees.
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              MS. SILVER: This has nothing to do with this.
 2
   It's lies, it's lies after lies and it has nothing to do
 3
   with it.
              MR. WORTMAN: And criminal court --
 4
 5
              MS. SILVER: And I object to this.
 6
              MR. WORTMAN: -- will issue whatever I need, I
 7
   hope --
 8
              MS. SILVER: I object to it.
 9
              MR. WORTMAN: -- and if not, I hope I can get
10
   your help.
11
              MS. SILVER: Because right now he is defaming
12
        I know he has them and that's the bottom line.
13
              THE COURT: All right.
14
              MS. SILVER: And I never said -- I said
15
   relevant to my case.
16
              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, I know I don't have
          I swear on everything that's nice and good to me.
17
18
              MS. SILVER: Yeah, but he has multiple
19
   sclerosis, I was told.
20
              THE COURT: So what does that have to do with
21
   anything?
22
              MS. SILVER: Because he is saying -- so what
   does that have to do with I have a mental health
23
24
   condition?
25
              THE COURT: All right.
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              MS. SILVER: I mean, there's nothing to it.
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 2
              THE COURT: I find --
 3
              MR. WORTMAN: And how many times were you
 4
    arrested for sex?
 5
              THE COURT: I don't find that there's any basis
 6
   for the contempt. I'm denying the motion. If you want
 7
   to appeal it to Judge Ross, you're welcome to do so.
              MS. SILVER:
                          I am. I am.
 8
 9
              THE COURT: How much time do you need to finish
10
   up whatever affidavit you want to submit?
11
              MS. SILVER: I --
12
              THE COURT: For, you know --
              MS. SILVER: Whatever time you want to give me.
13
14
    I have to focus on this, appealing it.
15
              MS. FITZGIBBON: Your Honor, at this point, we
16
   have spent the entirety of this -- this discovery period,
17
    if I am remembering correctly, I believe plaintiff was
18
   given 30 to 60 days originally to complete this discovery
19
   which if plaintiff was diligent during the limitations
20
   period, plaintiff should have been able to pull out some
21
   records and point to something that she did, if anything,
22
    during that period, to find the John Does.
              She has focused entirely and solely on this
23
24
   issue dealing with the Wortmans, filing motion after
25
   motion, to hold them in contempt to get documents --
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 1
              MR. WORTMAN:
                            Thank you.
 2
              MS. SILVER: (Indiscernible) own though.
 3
   isn't fair.
              MS. FITZGIBBON: -- to get documents from them.
 4
 5
   Plaintiff has stated today that this is a minute part of
 6
   her case. I have not heard anything else during this
 7
   entire discovery period as to what other evidence she
   might come forward with at any point.
 8
 9
              MS. SILVER: I didn't know -- I didn't know
10
   this -- this conference was for this. You said that Mr.
11
   and Mrs. Wortman were going to be calling.
12
              THE COURT: Look, that's the only purpose for
13
    this conference but there has to be an end to this.
14
              MS. SILVER: Well, then it's not --
15
              THE COURT: This has gone on way longer than it
16
    should have for a very --
17
              MS. SILVER: It's not ending because I know he
18
   has my documents and he should be held in contempt.
19
    don't answer a subpoena, you get held in contempt.
20
              MS. FITZGIBBON: If I may?
21
              THE COURT: All right. We're past this issue.
22
              MS. FITZGIBBON: So defendants would just ask
23
    that a very short period of time be given to plaintiff to
24
    complete this and defendants will adamantly oppose any
25
    further extensions. We would like to make our motion and
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 1
   have that decided, so we can either move on with the case
 2
   or have the case dismissed.
 3
              MR. WORTMAN: All for it.
              THE COURT: You said you have --
 4
 5
              MS. SILVER: Why is he still on the phone? I
 6
   don't understand. He's like making comments.
 7
              THE COURT: Okay. Mr. Wortman --
 8
              MS. SILVER: You think this is fair?
 9
              THE COURT: -- you don't need to be on this
10
   anymore.
11
              MS. SILVER: I mean, this isn't right.
12
              THE COURT: The motion is denied.
13
              MR. WORTMAN: Thank you, your Honor. Your
14
   Honor, is there anyway to get a paper stating that I
15
   participated with the court today?
16
              THE COURT: You can ask --
17
              MR. WORTMAN: Because I am worried about Jackie
18
   Silver writing up that I didn't show today.
19
              MS. SILVER: I am worried about you, Mr.
20
   Wortman, okay?
              MR. WORTMAN: And all of this stuff that she
21
22
   does.
23
              THE COURT: All right, well --
24
              MS. SILVER: And your adultery, okay?
25
              THE COURT: It's on the docket --
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              MS. SILVER: That you committed.
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 2
              THE COURT: -- if you want a copy, Ms.
 3
   Fitzgibbon can send it to you.
 4
              MS. FITZGIBBON: Yes.
 5
              MR. WORTMAN: Could I ask for a copy?
 6
              MS. SILVER: Why is she sending to a nonparty
 7
   subpoena? I don't understand. Why is she sending to a
 8
   nonparty?
 9
              MR. WORTMAN: What a game.
10
              MS. SILVER: I'm at a bit disadvantage here
11
   because I am pro se and I'm getting taken advantage of,
12
   your Honor. Like why -- why are they -- because they
   probably called the pro se --
13
14
              THE COURT: Why does it matter to you?
15
              MS. SILVER: Because why are they communicating
16
   with --
17
              THE COURT: How is it harming you if the
18
   witness gets a copy of it from opposing counsel? How is
19
   that harming you?
20
              MS. SILVER: Because I have reason to believe
21
    that they're going behind my back and talking to the pro
22
   see office. The pro se office is --
23
              THE COURT: What are you talking about?
24
              MR. WORTMAN: What are you hiding?
25
              MS. SILVER: Why is he sitting there talking on
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 1
   and on and on bashing me?
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              THE COURT: All right. Look, Mr. Wortman,
   you're free to go and Ms. Fitzgibbon will send you a
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   copy.
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              MR. WORTMAN: Thank you, your Honor. Your
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   Honor, how do I get that paper again? It's recorded you
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   said?
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              THE COURT: It's on the docket and Ms.
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   Fitzgibbon said she will send you a copy of this.
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              MS. FITZGIBBON:
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              THE COURT: It will just be in the minute entry
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    from the conference.
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              MR. WORTMAN: Thank you.
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              THE COURT: All right.
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              MR. WORTMAN: Ms. Fitzgibbon, thank you.
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              MS. SILVER: I don't understand why she is
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   doing this.
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              MR. WORTMAN: Your Honor, thank you. It's been
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   a pleasure talking to you. Thank you.
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              THE COURT: All right. Have a good day.
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    (Mr. Wortman excused)
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              MS. SILVER: You don't think There's anything
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   wrong with him bashing me and saying stuff about me like
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   this?
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              THE COURT: You said plenty of stuff against
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   him too.
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              MS. SILVER: Right. What --
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              THE COURT: None of it's relevant.
              MS. SILVER: So why did you let him go on and
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              THE COURT: Frankly, I should have cut this off
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   an hour ago.
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              MS. SILVER: He has my documents, your Honor.
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              THE COURT: Well, you have until September 15th
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   to submit whatever you want to the Court to show your
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   diligence.
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              MS. SILVER: And I have been asking the Court
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   for an attorney. Who do I give it to, you or the pro se
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   office?
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              THE COURT: Have you made that request before?
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   I think it's already been denied, hasn't it?
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              MS. SILVER: A year and a half ago.
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              THE COURT: All right.
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              MS. SILVER: I felt like I was getting set up
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   honestly.
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              MS. SILVER: Your Honor, I really don't
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   understand. Why is a lawyer for the opposing counsel --
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   I mean, why is she sending Victor and Susan stuff? I
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   don't understand.
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              THE COURT: Because they're nonparties to the
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   case, so they don't have access to the docket.
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              MS. SILVER: He has a lawyer, he told me.
   anything he said to me doesn't count. He told me he has
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   a lawyer.
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              THE COURT: Well, there's no lawyer that
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   appeared for him in this case. Look, I am not directing
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   her to do anything. If she chooses to do that on her
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   own, that's her prerogative.
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              MS. SILVER: Well, Kaitlin, why would you do
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   that? I don't understand.
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              MS. FITZGIBBON: I am doing it as a courtesy.
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              MS. SILVER: But how -- how did you even know
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   where to send it?
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              MS. FITZGIBBON: At the prior conference that
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   you did not appear at, this was discussed and the Court
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   asked me to extend that as a courtesy and I -- that is
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   the only thing that I have sent to the Wortmans and I
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   will send them a copy of this order. For the record,
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   that is it.
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              MS. SILVER: Okay. It doesn't -- as I said
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   again, it doesn't matter that Mr. or Mrs. Wortman did not
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   answer this motion?
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              THE COURT: At this point it doesn't because I
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   don't see how -- what the purpose of it is. I mean, if
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you want to continue to fight about whether or not they have your documents, I mean, you can continue to waste your time but the only issue before the Court is your diligence. Even if they're lying, let's assume I believe you and you're able to establish that he has these documents and he lied to the Court about it. Okay, fine. Maybe he gets sanctioned for that.

But it doesn't help you because I don't see -you haven't articulated to me any basis for believing
that these documents are going to support your diligence
argument.

MS. SILVER: Right, but I explained to you and Judge Ross when I said that in my papers that I served them the subpoena in December because he had my documents.

THE COURT: Okay.

MS. SILVER: And the motion to dismiss, she put it in January. And Judge Ross decided a month later. So February, they were already should have been in contempt because nobody -- why wasn't my contempt motion ever answered? See I have a problem with this, I will tell you because I served them with a subpoena, a nonparty subpoena. They never -- Victor Wortman never answered it. He never did anything. So why is he getting special treatment? That's what I am not understanding, whether

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   it's irrelevant to me, whether he has the documents at
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   this point and it's irrelevant, your Honor, whether --
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   what the documents are.
              The bottom line is he didn't answer a subpoena.
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   It's a federal rule. Why is he getting allowed to get my
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   motions denied now when he never even answered it --
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              THE COURT: Okay.
              MS. SILVER: -- eight months later?
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              THE COURT: We're past this point.
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              MS. SILVER: But, your Honor, I am trying to
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   understand it.
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              THE COURT: The --
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              MS. SILVER: This is my case and I did a
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   legitimate subpoena because I felt he had documents
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   relevant to my case.
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              THE COURT: Okay. And the answer is he says he
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   doesn't have the documents.
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              MS. SILVER: But this is eight months later.
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   He never imposed it. If somebody doesn't oppose a
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   subpoena, it goes unopposed. Is that correct?
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              THE COURT: If the subpoena is for turning over
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   documents, I can't force him to turn over what he doesn't
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   have.
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              MS. SILVER: I am not asking you to turn over -
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    - he does have them. And I knew he was going to say this
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   but the problem is I have with the system, the legal
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   system because this is a federal rule. It says unless
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   you have a reasonable excuse, within fourteen days you
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   have to either oppose it or answer it. Something.
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   didn't obey and comply with the subpoena.
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              THE COURT: Okay, but --
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              MS. SILVER: For eight months?
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              THE COURT: -- what's the remedy?
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              MS. SILVER: What's the remedy? Federal Rules
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   of Civil Procedure number 45(c) says, if within a
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   reasonable time, which is two weeks, or the time they
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   were supposed to produce the documents, if they don't
    answer the subpoena, they waive their rights. Is that
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   correct?
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              THE COURT: And if they were objecting to the
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   subpoena, you might be correct.
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              MS. SILVER:
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              THE COURT: In other words, if they had the
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   stuff and they wanted to make a legal objection, then
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   maybe they forfeited that by waiting too long but if the
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   answer is they don't have what you're looking for, then
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   as a practical matter, there's nothing else to be done.
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              MS. SILVER: Right, but this is eight months
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   later.
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              THE COURT: I understand that.
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66 Proceedings MS. SILVER: I did a contempt --1 2 THE COURT: But we've been dealing with this 3 for several months. MS. SILVER: Yeah, but it never -- I did a 4 5 contempt motion back in March. And it was never 6 answered, which I understand takes time and then a couple 7 of months later, her lawyer downstairs, she told me to do 8 a Rule -- asked Judge Ross to rule on it, and it wasn't. 9 Susan Wortman writes a letter to the judge 10 bashing me and it gets a conference and then it gets 11 decided on. I did everything I needed to do as a pro se 12 plaintiff. 13 In the real world, when somebody gets served 14 with a subpoena, the person who gets served with the 15 subpoena, let's say (indiscernible) get it, I serve 16 subpoenas all the time. A hospital gets a subpoena, your 17 Honor, the hospital is not going to provide a letter to 18 the judge asking for help and then bashing that person 19 with all lies. That letter is all lies. And I think 20 that it should be stricken. I don't know why it's not 21 stricken from the record. It's all lies. 22 And this is federal -- I don't understand. 23 They violated the federal rules. I want this on the 24 I want it on the record because you know what?

They should have been held in contempt months ago, right,

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if they don't answer a subpoena? He disobeyed -- he disobeyed. So I am not asking -- I asked now, after eight months later.

I don't really see the relevancy of whether the documents are, you know, needed for my diligence. It doesn't matter. They didn't do what they were supposed to do. If I didn't answer her motion to dismiss, right, let's say, Judge Ross told me I should answer because if I didn't answer it, it goes in unopposed, right? And you rule on a motion to dismiss, is that correct?

THE COURT: I mean, we don't need to go down this road. We're dealing with nonparties. They're not before the Court. There are practical realities that are simply different. The only issue is diligence at this point. I am not going to go down the road of following up on other stuff that's irrelevant to this issue.

If, you know, you're able to convince Judge Ross that you exercised due diligence and she allows the suit to continue, then we can talk about whether or not there's any documents out there that are relevant to the case that we can go out there.

MS. SILVER: I am not concerned now about the documents. I actually got months ago when I was on the other case, my medical records from Zucker. I got them.

THE COURT: Okay.

68 Proceedings 1 MS. SILVER: From my other one, Queens Supreme 2 one which is related to this one. So I am not worried 3 about that. I have a lot of stuff. I put together a lot of things. I am actually trying -- I am actually 4 5 probably going to have a lawyer divide it up for me. 6 THE COURT: Okay. 7 MS. SILVER: (Indiscernible). But the thing is 8 now is that what I'm concerned about is whatever I put into court doesn't get read and I actually put a -- I 9 10 brought in all my documents. I did 15 pages here. 11 THE COURT: Uh-hum. 12 MS. SILVER: I feel like I am wasting my time. And I don't understand. Anybody who gets subpoenaed is a 13 14 nonparty, usually. Car accidents are nonparty witnesses. 15 And it's a shame because I have him saying it. 16 He is adamant. He told me he had them. So now he is 17 lying under oath. 18 THE COURT: Well, look, I tried to listen to 19 the tape but it's not working. 20 MS. SILVER: I understand that. I know you 21 tried but this is the point, he's denying a motion when 22 he's lying. I know he's lying. You say hallucinations and MS has nothing to do with it but it does because it's 23 24 cognitive impairment. 25 THE COURT: But I am denying the motion at this

point because it's not -- you still haven't shown that it's relevant to the only issue that's before me.

MS. SILVER: All right. Maybe I am not understanding you, your Honor, because when you do a subpoena, in a normal world, not with a pro se plaintiff, when you have a lawyer with a lawyer, okay, it doesn't -first of all, I am sure it doesn't go in front of a judge and I am sure if she was working with a lawyer on a case, a plaintiff's lawyer, and she subpoenaed the lawyer, the lawyer is not going to play around like this and the lawyer is not going to go and write a letter to the judge bashing the person. I never heard of this. This is not normal and then the lawyer is not going to go and if the lawyer -- tell me if I am right, okay? If you were with a lawyer now, if I -- if you were talking to my lawyer right, and you subpoenaed documents from my lawyer and they didn't answer the subpoena within 14 days, don't they waive their rights? It's a federal rule.

THE COURT: But --

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MS. SILVER: And then when --

THE COURT: -- the only thing that is unusual in this case is that it was, you know, multiple unrepresented nonparties. If there had been lawyers involved, they probably would have moved to quash the subpoena and we would have dealt with it earlier.

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Proceedings 1 MS. SILVER: Well, that's what Ms. -- my friend 2 called Mr. Fine, his lawyer. He has a lawyer and he said 3 he is going to be quashing the subpoena. But what I am not getting is why -- I am going around in circles. 4 5 just going to appeal to Judge Ross because he never 6 answered it and he's getting away with it. This is the 7 system? This is the legal system? I'll be honest with 8 you, you know how many times I tried to get -- I enforce the subpoena? It's my job to enforce a subpoena. And 9 10 she comes back with all lies. She's allowed to lie to a 11 court? 12 MS. FITZGIBBON: Your Honor, if I may, 13 plaintiff did state before that she is no longer 14 concerned about getting documents from Mr. Wortman or 15 Mrs. Wortman --16 MS. SILVER: Because you know what? The system 17 is failing. 18 MS. FITZGIBBON: So I would be curious --19 defendants would be curious to find out what remedy she 20 is seeking at this point because as I said before, this 21 does seem like a personal vendetta and the amount of 22 resources that the Court has expended on this issue and 23 the amount of resources that I personally have expended 24 on this issue when my office has case after case to deal

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with and --

71 Proceedings 1 MS. SILVER: Yeah, but I didn't 2 (indiscernible). 3 MS. FITZGIBBON: -- a large case docket, to be dealing with this issue over and over when -- and your 4 5 Honor has heard the same things. We have not been at a 6 hearing for this issue and had any new information come 7 up at any point in time. We have litigated this over and 8 over again and we are going in circles. And if plaintiff appeals this, I am afraid we're going to be back in the 9 10 same exact spot and we are going to be here indefinitely. 11 MS. SILVER: And (indiscernible). Yeah, well 12 they didn't answer the subpoena. If you were dealing 13 with a lawyer, what would you do? 14 MS. FITZGIBBON: And on that issue --15 MS. SILVER: Contempt? What would you do? 16 MS. FITZGIBBON: -- on that issue, if plaintiff 17 is harping on the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and 18 complying with rules and this and that, I have never 19 received a notice five days prior to when this particular 20 subpoena was served. So if you're going harp on, you 21 know, complying with rules, it's -- I think we're a 22 little far gone from that at this point. MS. SILVER: Well, don't you think Susan 23 24 Wortman has a personal vendetta against me? Look at the 25 letter she wrote. I was told that's borderline criminal.

She lied to a judge. I know she lied, your Honor. What about the text I gave? I still want to put into evidence text and -- and she lied and said the synagogue didn't give me money. He would lie about cash? I have him right here.

THE COURT: Look, I don't care about these issues. Whatever issues you have with Mr. and Mrs. Wortman are outside the purview of this court.

MS. SILVER: They're not, your Honor. She sent a letter to the judge and that's why she got a conference and that's why you say it's me. It's not me. I asked for documents. They didn't follow the normal procedure and that's it, Kaitlin. They're the ones that dragged you in here. I didn't drag you in here. Did I drag you in here? She wrote the letter. Is that true? Kaitlin never got served. I never got served. Mr. Chase went behind my back and called Kaitlin, like I don't exist.

This is my case, your Honor, and I have a right to -- don't I have a right to bring subpoenas to the Court? Don't I have a right to subpoena people?

THE COURT: Okay. We're just going around in circles. I have once imposed sanctions or found somebody in contempt without bringing them into court and finding out why they haven't answered or explained the situation.

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              MS. SILVER: But Victor Wortman never --
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              THE COURT: -- the Wortmans are not being
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   treated any differently than anybody else that's ever
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   appeared before me.
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              MS. SILVER: But he never told you why he
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   didn't answer me.
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              THE COURT: He just told you he didn't have the
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   documents.
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              MS. SILVER: But that's not why he -- why
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   didn't he answer it for eight months. He didn't say
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   anything.
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              THE COURT: All right. We're just going around
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   in circles. You do what you want.
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              MS. SILVER: I am going to appeal. I'm sorry.
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              THE COURT: I'm giving you to the 15th to file
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   whatever evidence you have in support of your diligence
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    and --
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              MS. SILVER: September 15th, right? That's --
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              THE COURT: -- whatever you want to do on the
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   contempt motion is up to you. But I am not going to hear
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   it again, so that's it.
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              MS. SILVER: All right.
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              THE COURT: Okay.
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